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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Tadashi Narui;
Keiichi Akagawa; and
Takeshi Yagi.

For: IMAGE SENSOR, METHOD OF FABRICATING THE SAME, AND EXPOSURE APPARATUS, MEASURING DEVICE, ALIGNMENT DEVICE, AND ABERRATION MEASURING DEVICE USING THE IMAGE SENSOR

1. Type of Application

This transmittal is for a continuation application of application Serial No. 09/908,181, filed July 18, 2001 which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/810,227, filed March 16, 2001.

2. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design) Application

1. Continuation Patent Application (90 pages) with this Transmittal (4 pages);
2. Copy of original application containing 117 Pages of Specification, Claims, and Abstract;
3. Notification of Filing Continuing Application (2 pages);
4. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) including references cited (21 pages);
5. Copy of originally filed drawings (49 Sheets);
6. Copy of Priority Document Japan Patent 2000-218483 (2 pages);
7. Check in the amount of \$3584.00; and
8. Return Post Card.

B. Other Papers Enclosed

1. Express Abandonment (1 page) and
2. Petition for Extension of Time with Required Fee, check in the amount of \$410.00 (2 pages).

C. Other Papers to be Submitted

1. Preliminary Amendment will be submitted within two months of the filing of this application.

3. Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

Enclosed
Signed by inventor(s).

4. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

5. Language

English

6. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16)

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED

Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16(a) \$750.00
Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c))	65	- 20 =	45 x	\$18.00	\$810.00
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b))	19	- 3 =	16 x	\$84.00	\$1344.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+	\$280.00	\$280.00
Filing Fee Calculation					\$3184.00

7. Small Entity Statement(s)

Not applicable.

8. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed

Filing Fee –	\$3184.00
Extension Fee	\$410.00
Total Fees Enclosed	\$3584.00

9. Method of Payment of Fees

A check in the amount of \$3584.00 is enclosed.

10. Assignment

Copy of the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document along with fully executed Assignment is attached.

11. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment amount to Account No. 07-1985.

**ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF
PRIOR U.S. APPLICATIONS CLAIMED**

12. Relate Back

The application has amended the parent application Serial No. 09/908,181 by adding a cross-reference thereto.

13. Maintenance of Copendency of Prior Application

A. We request that the above-identified application parent be expressly abandoned as of the filing date accorded the continuing application filed herewith.

14. Further Inventorship Statement Where Benefit of Prior Application(s) Claimed

a. This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above.

15. NOTIFICATION IN PARENT APPLICATION OF THIS FILING

A notification of the filing of this continuation is being filed in the parent application, from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. Section 120.

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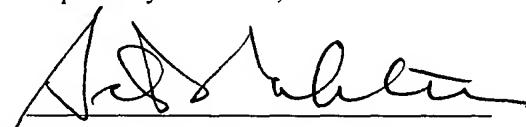
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**NOTIFICATION OF FILING OF
CONTINUING OR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Notification is hereby being made of the filing of a continuation application for this case concurrently herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing Date	7/18/01
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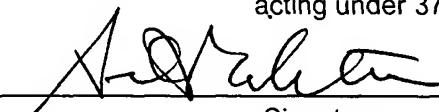
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